

2. Defaulters on account of previous leases will not be permitted to bid.

3. Intending bidders must be in possession of a certificate from the Amildar of the taluk in which they reside, vouching for their solvency. No person will be allowed to bid in the absence of such a certificate.

4. No person will be allowed to bid unless he has deposited with the officer holding the sale, a sum of Rs. 25 which must be deposited in the form of currency notes. The deposits of unsuccessful bidders will be returned immediately after the sale.

5. The exclusive right of collecting and removing the produce above described will be disposed off to the highest bidder, subject to the confirmation of the District Forest Officer or the Conservator of Forests, as the case may be, who, at his discretion, may accept or reject the highest or any other bid without assigning any reason therefor.

6. The successful bidder shall, at the close of the sale, credit into any Government Treasury the entire sale amount, including the deposit already made, together with Local Cess at one anna per rupee and Railway cess at three pies per rupee. In default, the deposit will be forfeited and the right resold. Such resale will be at the risk of the defaulting purchaser, who will be liable to make good any loss that may result to Government by it, but will not participate in any profit accruing therefrom.

N.B.—If the deficit be not paid, it will be recovered as a revenue demand.

7. If the sale is not confirmed, the amount paid will be refunded.

8. The accepted bidder shall execute an agreement within fifteen days of the intimation of the confirmation of the sale, binding himself to observe the conditions hereunder mentioned. In default, the acceptance of the bid will be revoked, the money already paid forfeited and the right resold.

Further conditions to be entered in the agreement are :—

- (a) The lessee shall hold himself responsible for the cutting or injuring of any other trees on the plea of collecting the produce. The lessee shall be held personally responsible for the acts of his agents or servants.
 - (b) The lessee shall furnish a list of sub-contractors, agents or servants who may be appointed by him for the collection of the produce.
 - (c) The lessee shall work out the lease himself and not transfer or sublet it to others without the previous sanction of the District Forest Officer, or the Conservator of Forests.
 - (d) The coolies employed by the lessee must take permission from the Range Officers before they enter State Forests.
 - (e) The lessee shall keep and render accounts every month to the District Forest Officer, of the produce collected and removed by him or his agents during the month. His accounts will be liable for the inspection of the Conservator of Forests or District Forest Officer or by any other officer deputed by either of them.
- The lessee shall be considered a wholesale dealer for the collection and export of leaves and shall not interfere with licenses issued by the department for small quantities of leaves to *bona fide* local bedde manufacturers. *Vide* G. O. No. I. C. 1059-68—Pt. 26-23-6, dated 31st August 1923.
- (f) The lessee, his agents or servants, shall render all possible help in preventing the occurrence of fires in forests in which he or they may be working and render prompt assistance in extinguishing such fires as may break out accidentally.
 - (g) The lessee shall remove out of the limits of the forest all produce collected and sold under the terms of the lease before the close of the official year.
 - (h) Neither the lessee nor his servants shall enter the State Forests either before sunrise or after sunset.

9. In the event of the breach of any of the above conditions, the lease will be liable to be cancelled and the lessee fined to the extent of Rs. 100 which will be recovered as an arrear of revenue demand.

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KOLAR DISTRICT.

Abstract Notification dated 2nd November 1923.

The attention of the public is invited to the detailed notification published in pages 775 to 777, Part VI of the *Mysore Gazette*, dated 8th November 1923, re the sale of Honge seeds and leaves in the several taluks of the district.

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